

REMARKS

As required by Examiner, Applicants have elected Invention Group I including claims 1-18 drawn to an electromembrane device, without traverse. As a result, among pending claims 1-28, claims 19-28 are now withdrawn from consideration. Should Examiner deem that any further clarification is desirable, Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the below listed telephone number.

Applicants do not believe that any additional fee is due, but as a precaution, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee to deposit account number 50-4244.

Respectfully submitted,

By: /Ting-Mao Chao, Reg. No. 60,126/
Ting-Mao Chao
Attorney for Applicant
Registration No. 60,126

Edwards Vacuum, Inc.
Legal Service – Intellectual Property
2041 Mission College Blvd. Suite 260
Santa Clara, CA 95054

TEL: 1-408-496-1177 ext. 2222
FAX: 1-408-496-1188

Customer No.: 71134